FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1879.

GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN abstains from the use of meat, tea and coffee, and stimulants of all kinds, and lives a singularly pure and abstemious life, as strictly ascetic as any monk of old, only instead of shutting himself up in a cell, he lives much out of doors in the free air.

MME. NILSSON is to sing twelve times in opera at Madrid during the festivities in connection with the royal marriage. She will be paid \$18,000. Fo singing in a single concert at Cologne, on Dec. 6, Patti and Nicolini will receive \$2,250. Great singers are scarce now-a-days, but they know the value of their voices and make the public pay

In Wilkie Collins' last novel the scene is laid in England in 1817. Two of the characters are made to speak of taking express trains, and another one sends a railroads in England before 1825, and practical telegraphy only dates from 1844, there is a mean disposition to trifle with Mr. Collins' reputation for accuracy. If Mr. Collins, however, will manage to keep the villain constantly in pursuit of the heroine, the average novel-reader will forgive him for ignorance of the cold facts of history.

Ex-Gov. Horatio SEYMOUR, when asked the other day whether he could be induced under any circumstances to the Presidency, said: "I need entire complete. rest. I have been overworked, and my physicians prescribe for me quiet and inactivity. This is my part for the short remainder of my life, and I have no regret in playing it. Besides, I have an idea that the sentiment and wishes of both the political parties turn to younger and more vigorous men, and ail I ask now is to be left in peace."

It has frequently been said that no horses could equal the best record of a man in a six-day race. The fallacy of this notion was demonstrated in the recent San Francisco contest between men and horses. A common-looking beast from a livery stable, called Pinafore, traveled 559 miles, beating the best human performance, that of Weston, by nine miles. Pinafore is a gelding, 8 years old, without a pedigree. He was not lamed by the race. The two other horses made 543 and 514 miles, while the foremost man scored only

how necessary it is that American ex- Meanwhile the husband remained caimly porters should deal with none but re- at home. This indifference exasperated sponsible houses in England. He once the wife to a pitch of diabolical hatred, saw fifty boxes of American butter sold and about 11 o'clock one night she re at auction for 16 cents a pound. A few turned to the house, and, while her husdays later forty boxes of the same but- band lay asleep in an adjoining room, and it is estimated that during the time interthe quality of the article, was sold to the stove, waited patiently until it market had not varied a penny.

WHEN a French manufacturer makes a pipe for smoking with, he puts a head on it. That is, the bowl represents the head of some distinguished man. The principal pipemaker in Paris has just published some statistics about the sale of his pipes that ought to show who are the most popular people in that gay city. The head of Thiers in clay stands first on the list, with a sale of 57,600 in the year; the head of Gambetta second, with 43,200; and the head of Grevy light. third, with 28,800. Capoul comes fourth, with 26,120; and Cetywayo's head, or what purports to be it, fifth, with 25,730, as against 20,180 for Judic's head.

EMINENT German statisticians have recently published an estimate of the total amount of capital invested in the construction of railroads since Stephenson's experimental locomotive first glided over a double rail, revolutionizing the transport system of our earth. the knuckles of his other hand an aw-The result of their calculations is the ful whack, then drop the paddle and go amazing sum of seventy-five milliards dancing into the house, "the ole Gov's of france, or\$15,000,000,000. The event caught a crab an' quit on ther homethat inaugurated the expenditure of stretch-fun's over. such a sum as this-nearly \$15 a head in the hay-mow and throw stones at for every human being inhabiting the an invalid cat.-Keokuk (Iowa) Gate terrestrial globe-is worthier of cele- City. bration by jubilee ceremonies than the anniversary of a great battle.

the Fish Commission during the last two years have added two valuable food fishes to the list of salt-water fish usually found in the markets of the Atlantic low in incoherent language, and threatcities. These fish are the pole-flounder ened to throw himself down when anyand the tile-fish. The former has been found in great quantities and over a wide range. It is destined to become an important source of our fish supply, ter let himself down by a rope afan important source of our fish supply, both on account of its abundance and its fine qualities as an article of food.

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particulars. It is said to be abundant, The True Mortherner. and is likely to become extensively used as an article of food. Its discoverer, Capt. Kirky, prefers it to the cod-

> THERE is something strangely parallel in the tragic fates of Donaldson and Wise. These men were intimately associated in former years. Donaldson went up in Chicago, and Wise from its rival city, St. Louis. Each had with him one companion. Neither of the balloons were ever found, and the exact fate of each is a matter of conjecture, although it is thought that both were engulfed in Lake Michigan. Each of the companions were found some time after the oc casion, each on the shores of Lake Michigan, one with a copy of a Chicago paper in his pocket, the other with a St. Louis paper. Donaldson was never found, and neither has anything been heard of Wise. Up to the present time the cases are wonderfully similar.

THE deep mines of Nevada are places of frequent and fatal accidents and of wonderful escapes. Patrick Holland, a miner, was riding up through a shaft, a telegram. As there were no passenger few days ago, with several companions. The cage lurched unexpectedly, and he was thrown over the edge. As this happened 600 feet from the bottom, his ity. death was not for an instant doubted. His comrades rode to the mouth of the shaft, obtained a box for his remains, and started downward. When near the point of the accident they heard Holland cry: "Slow up-I'm here." They found him standing on a wall plate, which is a jutting timber, with only fourteen by sixteen inches of upper surface. He had struck there through become the Democratic candidate for good luck only, for the darkness was

> A WRITER in one of the "society papers of London has been down to Mr. Tennyson's country home, and says, among other things, that the room in which the poet writes is one which has more of repose than is common in a brand-new house. He sits, well fenced in by a number of screens, at a writing-table facing the window; clay pipes in any number cumper his papers, and a general disarray would gain ground everywhere but for the filial offices of his eldest son, Hallam, who makes him the most faithful and affectionate of secretaries, copying his manuseripts, writing his letters, acting as on the 1st of November, and were buried on librarian to his books, and knowing all his poems by heart. The poet's life is remains of the dead Senator was conveyed under escort of a detachment of Metropolitan contained in but a small space. He has never cared for traveling.

A MURDER that for coolness and deliberation is not often surpassed is reported from Breitenbach, Germany. A married couple having quarreled, the THE United States Consul at Bir- wife left the house, and for several days mingham relates, in an interview tele- stayed away, sleeping at night in barns graphed by cable, an incident showing or wherever she found it convenient. and looking at the face of the deceased. ter, bearing the brand of a well-known went into the kitchen, started a fire, remains. house, which was willing to vouch for filled the kettle with water and put it on customers for 28 cents a pound. Dur- steamed, and then, taking it to her husing this time the price of butter in open band's bedside, poured the contents plate, with the simple rescription: "Zachariah Chandler; born Dec. 18, 1813; died Nov. over him, scalding him so badly that he lived only a few hours.

# A Regular Hanlan Stroke.

"Bill! Bill! come here quick, and see Teddy's dad coachin' him," said one Keokuk boy to another, in a suppressed tone of ecstasy, as he peeped through a crack in the wood-shed, and saw Teddy's father dressing him down with a strip of weather-boarding.

Gewhillikins! See him swing that paddle, though," put in Bill, as he took a look, and then danced round with de-

"Reg'lar old Hanlan stroke, ain't it?" added Cully, as he pushed Bill

away fer his turn to peek. "Gosh!" remarked Bill, when it came his time to make observations,

"gettin' in bout forty to ther minit, hain't 'e?" "Lemme see," demanded Cully, crowding Bill out again. "Oh, cracky! that's so, an' Ted hain't got no slidin'

Aw, thunder!" said Bill, in disgust, as he peeped in and saw Teddy dodge, and the father make a false stroke, give

And they went off to build a boufire

went mad, and, leaping out of a window overlooking the street, perched on the cornice. He addressed the crowd beone approached the window. Mattresses and rugs were spread on the pavement, and the firemen were immediately sent for. One of the lat-

## MICHIGAN NEWS.

A FIRE near Greenville destroyed J. B. Griswold's extensive lumber and shingle mills. Loss, \$14,000; no insur-

THE salt product of Michigan during the month of October was 242,809 barrels; for the year, to date, 1,855,104

By the capsizing of a sail boat in Little Bay de Noquet, three men, John Asplor, August Swenzen and Herman Pflum, were drowned.

THE State Military Board has passed a resolution authorizing the appointment of a brigade staff as follows: One Assistant Adjutant General with rank of Lieutenant Colonel; one Inspector, same rank; one Quartermaster, same rank; two Aids-de-camp with rank of

THE following is a statement of the receipts and disbursements at the State Treasurer's office for the month of

Balance on hand Sept. 30. \$406, 207, 52 Receipts for the month. 132,388,27 

Balance on hand Oct, 31 ..... \$438,004.37 WALES ADAMS, the oldest white settler of Branch county, died at his residence, in Bronson township, aged 75 years. He settled there in 1830, was a member of the State Legislature in 1834, member of the Constitutional Convention in 1851, and has held various county offices of trust and responsibil-

THE Detroit News says that articles of incorporation have been filed at Lausing for a new road, to be known as the Toledo and Milwaukee, extending 144 miles from where the Toledo and Ann Arbor crosses the State line to the town of Allegan, whence connection will be had with Milwaukee via Grand Haven. The capital stock of the road is \$1,-

THE Michigan Bee-Keepers' Association has been in convention at Lansing. The following subjects were discussed: Cellar wintering, out-door wintering, spring management, marketing honey, spring and fall feeding, dividing and increasing. The question of boxes gave subject matter which called for extended and interesting argument. The convention was well attended, and there seems to be a rapidly increasing interest in the comparatively new industry.

Obsequies of Michigan's Honored Son-Dis tinguished Visitors from Abroad, Etc.

After the sudden decease of Senator Chandler at Chicago, a special train took the remains to Detroit on the 1st inst. The body was accompanied by a number of the most prominent gentlemen of Chicago, beside a large number of Michigan officials and others.

The ceremonies at the funeral were observed on the 5th inst. By the way, a coincidence is noticeable between the date of Mr. Chandler's death and that of Senator Morton, as both died

Pursuant to the previous arrangement, the police on the morning of Wednesday, the 5th inst., at 8 o'clock, from the mansion on Fort street to the City riall, where the Committee of Arrangements and a detachment of the Light Guard received the body, and placed it in the center of the hall at the foot of the main staircase, where it laid in state until 1 p. m.

At 8:15 the Fort street entrance of the City Hall was opened, when an avalanche of people poured into the corridors. As they passed into the south corridor they were separated into pairs, and as the casket was reached the pairs were separated, and a continuous line of humanity passed on each side, every person bending

The remains were clothed in the usual black broadcloth suit. The upper haif of the body could be seen through a French plate glass covering, the arms peacefully folded across the breast. The determined face seemed as natural as life. The ceaseless stream of people which poured through the building in two continuous lines lasted from 8:15 a. m. till 1 p. m., vening not less than 19,000 persons viewed the

The corpse was placed beneath a canopy of red, white and blue, heavily draped with crape. The casket was of black walnut, covered with black silk veivet, relieved with drapery and black gros-grain silk, and bore a solid silver

At the head of the coffin was a white floral cross and crown with a base of evergreens which rested on a column draped with crape. At the foot of the casket was another column draped in black, on which was placed a sheaf of wheat, with white floral sickie. of the coffin was a floral star, with the signifi-cant and impressive word, "Stalwart," in purple flowers across the widest part.

The body was removed to the Fort street

mansion shortly after 1 p. m., where religious exercises were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Pearson The address was followed by a brief and eloquent prayer in which the Divine Being was fervently thanked for those qualities of brain and heart possessed by the deceased, which enabled him to direct public opinion, and moved the sentiments of the people for

The pall-bearers were twenty-five in number, their names as follows: Ex-Gov. Henry ber, their names as follows: Ex-Gov. Henry
P. Baldwin, James F. Joy, Alonzo N. Shiley,
George V. N. Lathrop, Christian H. Buhl, Theodore Romyn, Charles F. Gorham, Gov. Croswell, John S. Newberry, Wilham A. Moore, S.
Dow Eldwood, Alex. Lewis, John Owen, Gen.
Alger, Judge James V. Campbell, A. H. Dey,
Thomas W. Palmer, Benjamin Vernor, C. C.
Trowbridge, Sulfivan M. Cutcheon, A. B. Maynard, Judge H. B. Brown, Judge Switt, A. C.
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At 2 p. m. the casket was lifted, carried to the hearse by eight policemen, being preceded by the pall-bearers. The Secretary and Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, according to usage on such occasions, wore white sushes and followed the pall-bearers. The general procession then started for the cemetery, headed by a detachment of thirty picked Metropolitan policemen. Next came the Tenth United States Infantry Eand, Tenth United States Infantry Eand, Tenth United States Infantry. ompany A third degiment Michigan State troops, Company G First Regiment of Michiga State troops; Company F, Third regiment Michigan State troops; Company C, Third regiment Michigan State troops; Detroit Light Guard Bang, Detroit Light Intantry, Montor every human being inhabiting the errestrial globe—is worthier of celebration by jubilee ceremonies than the nuiversary of a great battle.

A sight horrible enough to satisfy a Frenchman was witnessed a fortnight ago in front of the Hotel Dieu, Paris.

One of the patients at the hospital difference of the Senate and House of Representatives, officers of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Senate officers of the Senate and House of Representa tives, Governors of States and Territories, Federal and State judiciary, United States and State officials, members of the State Legislature, the Mayor, Common Council and city officers and members of the Board of Education, mem-

> The line of march was up Fort street to Woodward avenue, down Woodward avenue to Jefferson, up Jefferson avenue to Elmwood av-enue, thence to Elmwood Cemetery. The en

sion was passing the City Hall the imme

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The presence of leading citizens from the interior was notable, among whom were Gov. Croswell, Senstor Ferry and all the Congressmen from this State.

Among the distinguished attendants from other States were ex-United States Senstor Simon Cameron, of Pennsylvania, and his son, Senstor Don Cameron; Col. Burch, Secretary of the United States Senate; Jesse Bright, Sergeant-at-Arms of the United States Senate; Senstors Anthony, Burnside, Logan, Blaine, and others.

### TEASING A TURK. A Washington Belle's Joke on the Turkish

A Washington correspondent of the Chicago Inter Ocean tells the following: The Turkish Minister at Washington, whose name is Aristache, is given to jewelry of the gorgeous kind. He wears immense rings and pins and shirtstuds, and has an assortment that would make a woman wild. The number and value of his jewels is fabulous, and he keeps them in a precious casket locked with a golden key. It is said that he has a set of rings and pins, etc., for every day in the year, and would sooner cut his nose off than wear the same set two days in succession.

When Gen. Beale's daughter, who married the Russian Duke with an impossible name, was here, Aristache gave | cha bottle. her a reception, and, with Oriental hospitality, met her at the door with a golden dish of salt, and kissed the hem of her dress. It is a Turkish custom to show respect by offering an honored guest, as a gift, the one possession that the host prizes most, which, of course, it is the proper thing for the guest to dectine. So Aristache, in the manner of his nation, tendered the Duchess the golden key to the casket of jewelry. She knew his vanity, and, liking to tease him a little, accepted the gift, and attached the key to the chain that hung about her neck. When she left at the close of the evening's entertainment, she took the key with her. Aristache had the horrors. He waited a day or two, but the key did not come back. He called upon her, but she did not mention it. He had worn the same jewelry for three days, and was suffering torment. He sent for a locksmith, but it was no go. The only way he could get at his jewelry was to recover the key or smash the silver box. Some of his friends conveyed mild hints to his tormentress, but they were of no avail. The society gayety was at its height. She appeared everywhere with the golden key hanging at her neck, but the poor Turk was a prisoner of

# A Puzzle for Future Geologists.

cal observers and theorizers.

While dredgieg to the leeward of the Caribbean islands large accumulations of vegetable matter and of land debris were brought up from deep water. uncommon thing to find, at a depth of over 1,000 fathoms, and some ten or fifteen miles from land, masses of leaves, pieces of bamboo and of sugar cane, dead land shells, and other land debris, which were undoubtedly all blown out to sea by the prevailing easterly trade winds, and frequently masses of vegetation, more or less waterlogged and ready to sink, were found floating on the surface of the sea. The contents of some of the trawls would, indeed, have sorely puzzled a palæontologist if he had met them in a fossil state; amid deep water forms of fishes, crabs, echinoderms, sponges, etc., would be found orange and mango leaves mingled with branches of bamboo and nutmegs, so that it would have been difficult to decide whether the marine or the land fauna predominated. Such a find in a fossil deposit would probably be explained as having occurred in a shallow estuary surrounded by forests. It is not without interest to observe that this large amount of vegetable matter thus carried out to sea seems to have increased in certain localities the number of marine forms of life.

# Kossnih.

Kossuth has been engaged on a history of his life for several years past, and it was to have been published simultaneously at Vienna, Berlin and other European capitals some ! time last year, but from some reason or other -principally on account of the gifted author's unreadiness—the publication has hung fire up till now. Kossuth, however, has at length completed his memoirs, and last week arranged with a publishing firm at Pesth for their production. The volume will emorace all his writings of importance and fugitives essays in periodical literature since 1859. During the past twenty years few have seen more ups and downs Listen, oh strangers of all tribes and nations,

than Kossuth. Or the war waged between man and beast in India the yearly statistics are once more published, and it would seem that during 1877 the slaughter was terrible. Nineteen thousand six hundred and ninety-five people were killed -46 by elephants, 819 by tigers, 200 by leopards, 85 by bears, 564 by wolves, 24 by hyenas, 1,180 by other wild animals, and 16,777 by snakes. Fifty-three thousand cattle, moreover, succumbed in the fight. On the other side, under stimulus of a reward amounting to more than £10,000, 22,851 wild beasts and 127,292 snakes have been killed; a large total in itself, but small when the losses man and domestic animals have sustained are taken into consideration.

LORD BEACONSFIELD'S assertion that thousands of our Western farmers were moving into Canada was due to his If ignorance of North American geography. Sir John A. Macdonald told him that there was a large movement from "the Western provinces" into Manitoba, and he thought these provinces were our

### USEFUL INFORMATION.

STAINING WOOD .- A new method of staining wood a pleasing color is by applying a strong solution of perman-ganate of potash for a few moments, then carefully washing, drying, and polishing in the usual way.

COLLECTING HONEY .- A new mode of collecting honey is being tried in Germany. A small apparatus, with wires, gives the bees an electric shock. and they fall to the bottom of the hive, remaining motionless for several hours

TRANSFERRING IMPRESSIONS OF FERNS TO WOOD.—First, well dry your fern leaves between blotting-paper, then soak them in aniline dye (the color you want), take them out and redry them nice and flat, then damp your wood, and lay the fern leaves upon it and apply pressure. Beautiful impressions may be taken in this way.

WINDOW CLEANING .- A very effective agent in cleaning glass is fluoric acid, used in a dilute solution to which is added a little hydrochloric acid. The glass when cleaned must be immediately washed with clean water. Be careful not to get the undiluted acid on the hands, as it causes sores, and it is better to keep the fluoric acid in a gutta per-

THE MANGE IN DOGS .- This troublesome complaint of dogs, which often causes the owner to kill a valuable animal, may be cured as follows: The remedy is sulphuret of calcium (lime and sulphur lotion), made by adding one pound unslaked lime to a gallon of water, and boiling therewith about three pounds of flour of sulphur. Also, common paraffine oil is good. The mange is caused by minute parasites working under the skin, and it is necessary to use something that will penetrate and destroy them. Disinfect the kennel with weak solution of carbolic acid.

To Soften Horn .- To one pound of wood ashes add two pounds of quicklime; put them into one quart of water; let the whole boil till reduced to one third, then dip a feather in, and if, on drawing it out, the plume should come off, it is proof that it is boiled enough; if not, let it boil a little longer. When it is settled, filter it out, and in the liquid thus strained put in shavings of horn. Let them soak for three days, and, first | she is a bride of heaven, and exhorting anointing your hands with oil, work the whole into a mass, and print or mold it into any shape you please.

BAD BREATH-A bad breath may be caused by a number of disorders. Decircumstances. He wouldn't wear the cayed teeth, indigestion or torpidity same jewels a week, if he never went of some of the excrementory organs, out again, and was on the verge of sui- such as the kidneys, bowels, liver or cide when the key came back, with a lungs. In this last class of causes the polite little note hoping that he had lungs are called upon to perform the suffered no inconvenience. Aristache work of some diseased or inactive thanked Mohammed, and was himself organs, and the result is an offensive breath, and a physician should be consulted. If the cause is the teeth a dentist will soon remedy the evil. A singular discovery was made dur- Clorine water, a table-spoonful in a half ing last year's dredging operations of a tumbler of water, used as a wash for the Coast Survey Steamer Blake, in the the mouth, or a gargle, will often correct Caribbean sea; a discovery which should it. If the curse be indigestion, acidity farnish a lesson of caution to geologi- of the stomach, or any inactivity of that organ, use the following: Take eight drops of hydrochloric acid, in half a tumbler of soft water, flavor with a little lemon, and sweeten to the taste. Let this be taken three times a day for many miles from shore. It was not an a month. If beneficial, it may be continued.

# A Railway Ritual.

Have you ever noticed-but of course you have—the unvarying monotony in the announcement of stations, changes, junctions, etc., on the railroad? Now, all this might be improved and reformed if the railroad men of the country would only give the matter a little attention. How much pleasanter they could make it for the passengers, if each road would just arrange a little ritual for the brakemen, with appropriate responses for the passengers, the whole service being set to solemn and impressive music. Then, instead of the brakeman roaring:

"Galesburg! Galesburg! Change cars for Kansas City, Quincy and Peoria! This car for Chicago! Train prior to being put on the force. stops here for twenty minutes before going east!

his pitch, inflate his chest and intone the service as follows:

BRAKEMAN. With cheerful eyes I look around-

PASSENGERS. (Chorus.) What is this city which we see?

BRAKEMAN. This here is Gales-burg; you-hear-me! SECOND BRAKEMAN.

Change cars for the town of Peory For Quincy and Kansas Cit-ee! This train goes right on to Aurory, Mendota, Plano, Kewance, FIRST BRAKEMAN.

You have near two hundred miles yet to ride. PASSENGERS' CHORUS.

We're homeward bound, homeward bound,

BRAKEMAN.

You will get tired and hungry beside; CHORUS AS DEFORE. You bet your boots, bet your boots.

This train won't stop at no more dining stations.
Go in the dining-car, then, for your rations.

PASSENGERS' CHORUS. Lend us a dollar, lend us a dollar.

SECOND BRAKEMAN, Sit up in your seats, the conductor comes; PASSENGERS' CHORUS. He does, by jiminy crickets!

CONDUCTOR. I haven't much time at this end of the line.
So you want to be sharp with your tickets, CHORUS (ALL TOGETHER!)

What time does the train "-" Oh say do you know "
" Is this the right train "--" Is the fare--"
Ain't we running too fast;" " sin't this train aw Do we make a connec-" " Are we there? "

ENTER BRAKEMAN. Pull on your hat and grab your vallee,
D'ye think you can make it, say? no?
The train don't stop, but we'll slow up
If you want to jump off at Pin-no!

ENTER DINING-CAR CONDUCTOR don't nibble something, why you can' travel far;
Don't stop to dress, but come just as you are;
Dinn r is now ready in the new dining-car. Come, bristle up and eat.

CHORUS OF PASSENGERS. Yum-e-diddle, um-e-diddle, yum, yum, yum, Yum-e-diddle, um-e-diddle, yum, yum, yum, Yam-e-diddle, um-e-diddle, yum, yum, yum Yum, yum, yum, yum, yum!

Some such system as this, fully elab-orated and perfected, would make it very pleasant for the passengers and keep them stirred up and wide awake. If the railway companies see fit to use it, they are welcome to it, and we won't charge a cent for the suggestion. -Bob Burdette.

### BREVITIES.

MRS. LANGTRY has golden hair. NEGRO immigration is not tolerated

POPE LEO is the power behind the Spanish throne.

PRINCESS LOUISE will return to Canada in January. QUEEN VICTORIA'S income is over

\$2,000,000 a year. Dr. LE MOYNE left \$360,000 to his

three sons and five daughters. Boston expends the most money per

capita for education of any city. It is thought that Gen. John F. Mil-

ler may succeed Senator Newton Booth. of California.

THE net income from the English crown lands last year was £410,000, or about \$2,050,000.

ROBERT INGERSOLL charges Joseph Cook with mixing German sauer-kraut with Boston baked beans.

THE "Fat Contributor" says that the game of high spy was introduced into this country by Maj. Andre.

REV. ROBERT COLLYER continues to give his New York congregation valuable hints on church etiquette.

CALIFORNIA is infested with swarms

of wild geese, which seriously draw upon the farm crops to fill their own THE only surviving son of Davy

Crockett is an extensive farmer at Granbury, Texas, and a grandson edits a newspaper there. THE citizens of Elmira, N. Y., think

of erecting a monument to Adam, the founder of the race. It should be made of adamantine rock. A WOMAN goes about Grand Rapids at night, with a lantern, declaring that

sinners to repentance. Rome, Italy, has been startled by a bicycle race between two ladies who be-

long to the best society, and are celebrated for their beauty. A 5-YEAR-OLD girl, left alone in a house at Holyoke, Mass., drank whisky from a bottle that she found, got drunk, fell down stairs and died.

LEADVILLE already has three daily newspapers, four churches, and a public-school system; but there are, also, 108 gambling-houses. THE School Board of Covington, Ky.,

is trying to stop draw poker among the pupils; but the public lottery drawings continue without opposition. SECRETARY SCHURZ is at the head of

he Indian Department in the East and Chief Douglass at the head of the Indian Department in the West. Horse-Bacing has declined in France of late, the authorities of the republic

failing to give it the encouragement it received under Louis Napoleon. A SCHOOLMASTER at Tiffin, Ohio, used a piece of rubber hose with which to whip his pupils, and it proved so effect-

ive that a little girl was nearly killed. WILLIAM HABRON, who came near being hanged for a murder committed by the notorious Peace, has just been awarded \$5,000 by the British Govern-

TEAMSTERS along the Gila river, Arizona, complain of the large herds of wild camels that have of late taken possession of the main roads, to the consternation of horses and mules.

THE active metropolitan police of Paris is composed of 6,000 men, chosen from the ranks of the army. Their qualifications are tested during one year

MRS. SIEG had a quarrel with some neighbors at Wright, Minn, and told In a steady monotone, he could strike | her son, aged 12, to shoot one of them. The boy obeyed, and is to be put on trial with his mother on a charge of

> A LARGE box shipped on a railroad at Cleveland was found to contain a live man, a flask of whisky, some sandwiches, and a kit of burglar's tools. It is supposed that he intended to rob the express car. PICKPOCKETS frequent all great fu-

nerals in New York, and are only captured by detectives shrewd enough to keep their eyes on the members of the cortege who seem to be the most deeply and solemnly affected.

A RIVAL marksman of Dr. Carver has appeared in California. His name is Dr. John Ruth, and one of his common performances is to shoot apples and cigars from the mouth of an assistant, who stands a considerable distance awav.

THE Rev. Dr. Crary, in the Christian Advocate, speaks of the Utes as "those dirty, bloody freebooters, whose highest hopes and ambition are in murder. rapine, and scalps," and says that " one white Agent's life is worth more than every Ute that breathes."

THE novel engineering feat of building a bridge on shore and then shoving it across the river has been accomplished at Dinard, France. The structure is 314 feet long, weighs over 200 tons, and was projected into its place with twelve strong windlasses.

THE Boston Police Commissioners. in whom is vested the power of licensing shows in that city, have decided to permit no performances by children. The case at issue was that of a juvenile "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company. A Massachusetts statute authorizes such a probibition.

ROBERT P. CROCKETT, the only surviving son of "Davy" Crockett, has a farm near Granbury, Texas, and is the keeper of the bridge across the Brazos river at that place. Ashley Crockett, one of Robert Crockett's sons, is one of the two editors and proprictors of a flourishing newspaper of that region.